



STATE OF WASHINGTON
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

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PUBLIC COMMENT MEETINGS

On

PROPOSED DRAFT RULES

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council Invites
Public Comment on Proposed Draft Rules

The Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) will hold two public comment meetings on proposed draft rules that would set standards for siting energy facilities under EFSEC jurisdiction. The meetings will be held as follows:

Wednesday, October 29, 2003
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Westcoast Ridpath Hotel
515 West Sprague Avenue
Spokane, WA

Thursday, October 30, 2003
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Washington State Criminal
Justice Training Commission
19010 First Avenue South
Burien, WA

The purpose of these meetings is to receive public comments on possible additions and changes to Chapter 463 of the Washington Administrative Code. EFSEC has been working on identifying standards for siting energy facilities under its jurisdiction. EFSEC believes that adopting reasonable siting standards will streamline its siting process, bring more certainty to, and reduce the time needed for siting energy facilities. EFSEC has developed draft standards regarding:

- Fish and Wildlife Resources
- Water Resources
- CO₂ Mitigation
- Need for Power
- Impact and Mitigation for Wetlands
- Environmental, Esthetic and Other Benefits
- Seismicity
- Noise
- Air Quality
- Water Quality
- Application for Site Certification
- Site Certification Agreement Expiration
- Site Restoration

In addition EFSEC is looking at other administrative changes to its rules to clarify and update its administrative procedures.

The draft standards and proposed changes to EFSEC's administrative procedures can be viewed on EFSEC's web site at **www.efsec.wa.gov**, or copies can be requested from the EFSEC office by calling 360-956-2121.

EFSEC will use the comments it receives to refine its draft rules prior to issuing formal notice of rule making early next year. Adoption of final rules is scheduled for mid 2004.

EFSEC also invites written comments concerning these draft rules. Written comments can be emailed to **efsec@ep.cted.wa.gov** or sent to:

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
Rule Comments
P.O. Box 43172
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Written or emailed comments must be submitted no later than December 1, 2003.

For additional information about these meetings and this public comment opportunity on the proposed draft rules, please contact Allen Fiksdal, EFSEC Manager, at (360) 956-2152.

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